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INDIA.

Reports from Calcutta—Transactions of Service—Cholera, plague, and smallpox—Plague in India and Bengal.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Eakins reports, October 17:

During the week ended October 5, bill of health was issued to the steamship *Gordon Castle* bound for Philadelphia and New York with a total crew of 42. The usual precautions were taken, holds fumigated, and rat guards placed on wharf lines. No Asiatics on board.

Week ended September 28, 31 deaths from cholera, 7 from plague, and 2 from smallpox in Calcutta. In Bengal and India, week ended September 21, 113 cases and 88 deaths and 12,845 cases and 9,038 deaths from plague, respectively. Week ended September 28, 129 cases and 106 deaths and 13,543 cases and 9,515 deaths from plague, respectively.

Quarantine at ports of Orissa against Mauritius on account of plague.

The following is received from Consul-General Michael, under date of October 17:

I was officially notified by the marine department of the government of Bengal on October 12 that there had been an outbreak of plague in Mauritius; that it had been declared an infected port and that the regulations for the prevention of plague by sea, which are in force in the ports of Bengal, would be enforced in the ports of Orissa against vessels arriving from Mauritius.

ITALY.

Report from Naples—Inspection of vessels—Emigrants recommended for rejection.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Buonocore reports, October 28:

Week ended October 26, vessels inspected at Naples and Palermo:

NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Destination.	Steerage passengers inspected and passed.	Pieces of large baggage inspected and passed.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Oct. 23	Pannonia	New York			
23	Manuel Calvo	do	236	30	350
25	Königin Luise	do	820	140	950
	Total	1,056	170	1,300

PALERMO.

Oct. 26	Sofia Hohenberg	New York	153	311	111
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Rejections recommended.

NAPLES.

Date.	Name of ship.	Trachoma.	Favus.	Suspected trachoma.	Suspected favus.	Other causes.	Total.
Oct. 23	Pannonia						
23	Mannuel Calvo	8	1	6		2	17
25	Königin Luise	21		9		6	36
	Total	29	1	15		8	53

PALERMO.

Oct. 26	Sofia Hohenberg	13		13		6	32
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JAPAN.

Report from Yokohama—Inspection of vessels—Status of cholera epidemic.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Tripler reports, October 21:

Week ended October 19. Five vessels, having an aggregate personnel of 390 passengers and 482 members of crews, were granted bills of health; 3 were bound for Manila and 1 each for Seattle and San Francisco.

In this district there were 6 new cases of cholera during week, thus showing a slight decrease in the epidemic. In Chiba prefecture 28 new cases, with 6 deaths, during two days, were reported. At Tokyo, Yokosuka, and Haneda (situated 15 to 20 miles from Yokohama), 1 or 2 new cases are reported daily.

Emigrants recommended for rejection.

Number of emigrants per steamship *Persia* recommended, October 22, for rejection: For Honolulu, 35; for San Francisco, 5. Of these rejections all were for trachoma.

Report from Kobe—Inspection of vessels—Emigrants inspected—Improvement in cholera conditions—Summary of cholera from outbreak to October 5—Epidemic beriberi in Japan.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, October 14:

Week ended October 12. Three supplemental bills of health were granted to 3 steamships. There were inspected 3 vessels, 279 members of crews, and 430 steerage passengers. There were disinfected 601 pieces of personal effects belonging to 200 steerage passengers, and the passengers themselves were bathed. Manifests were viséed for 37,614 pieces of freight.

The following emigrants for the United States were examined; those passed were, together with 21 for Canada, held five days under observation prior to embarkation, and inspected each day: Steamship *Asia* for Honolulu and San Francisco, 131 passed, 72 recommended for rejection; and the steamship *Iyo Maru* for Seattle, 48 passed, 61 recommended for rejection.

The health conditions at Kobe during the week show a decided improvement over the previous week so far as cholera is concerned,